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Amendments to the Abstract

Replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

The invention relates to an An impact-attenuating impact attenuating device (1) connected to a vehicle (2), especially a lorry[[.]], The impact attenuator (1) comprises has a front part (3), an attenuating part (4), a rear part (5), and an extension device (6). The front part (3) is connected to the vehicle (2) in order to, during a collision into the impact attenuator[[;]] attenuating device, transfer the forces from the attenuator device to the vehicle. The front part (3) comprises has two wheels (31), with a pivot function, suspension (32), and a traffic routing board (9). Between the front part (2) and the attenuating part (4) is the extension device (6)-arranged is positioned. The extension device (6) has a transport position and an operation position. In the transport position the extension device $\frac{(6)}{(6)}$ is in its extended position and the attenuating device (4) is moved away from the front part (3). The extension device (6) is connected to the attenuating device (4) via a horizontal joint (63). In the transport position the extension device is hanging hangs freely between the rear part (5) and the front part (3).

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For the examiner's convenience, a clean text version of the replacement abstract (144 words) is presented below:

An impact attenuating device connected to a vehicle, especially a lorry, has a front part, an attenuating part, a rear part, and an extension device. The front part is connected to the vehicle in order to, during a collision into the impact attenuating device, transfer the forces from the device to the vehicle. The front part has two wheels, with a pivot function, suspension, and a traffic routing board. Between the front part and the attenuating part the extension device is positioned. The extension device has a transport position and an operation position. In the transport position the extension device is in its extended position and the attenuating device is moved away from the front part. The extension device is connected to the attenuating device via a horizontal joint. In the transport position the extension device hangs freely between the rear part and the front part.